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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Group:: 3632  
Atty. Docket: 8266-0371  
Applicants: Metz, et al.  
Title: MEDICAL DEVICE  
SUPPORT ASSEMBLY  
Serial No.: 09/629,524  
Filed: August 1, 2000  
Examiner: Chan, K.

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RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICIAL ACTION

Sir:

In response to the Official Action of April 17, 2002, please enter this corrected response.

In response to the Official Action of September 24, 2001, please amend the above-noted application as indicated below and consider the remarks found herein. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.121, a version of the claims as amended is submitted herein, and a marked up version showing the amendments to the claims is submitted contemporaneously herewith as ATTACHMENT A.



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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(c))	87	87	0	\$18	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b))	13	13	0	\$84	\$0
If applicant has small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here.			SMALL ENTITY TOTAL	NO	\$0
TOTAL FEE FOR ADDITIONAL CLAIMS					\$0

An Extension of Time for \_\_\_\_\_ month(s) is hereby requested  
 under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a). The required fee for filing this extension is: \_\_\_\_\_

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TOTAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT

\$0

A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the total fee for this  
 amendment is attached.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 or processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17 which may be required during the prosecution of this application, or credit of any overpayment, to Bose McKinney & Evans LLP's Deposit Account No. 02-3223. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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